



Gov. Chris Gregoire signs SB 6161. 20060309-2423 WASENATE db

TEEN GROUP FISHING PERMIT SB 6161

A 2006 ACT relating to group fishing permits for outdoor education programs working with the WA Department of Fish and Wildlife; and amending RCW 77.32.550

The permit would allow WDFW to issue, under specific conditions, a one-day or two-day group permit that would allow teens ages 15 and over to fish without a license. Changes to the current group fishing permit rules allow more flexibility to conduct youth fishing events. This bill was initiated in partnership with the Pacific Education Institute. PEI provided students with experience in developing good policies that supported sound environmental education outdoors. After analyzing the public policy process students chose to:

- Conduct research on fish in their local aquatic systems
- Write letters to legislators regarding SB6161
- Testify before the house and senate education committees
- Attend the bill signing (pictured above)